in trains, sub-urban trains and air conditioned buses.

New Train for Delhi-Kanpur

3075. SHRI KESHRI LAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of express/superfast trains running from Delhi via Kanpur at present;

(b) the number of trains which run only between Delhi-Kanpur;

(c) whether the Government propose to introduce any new train on the route;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) 21, Sir.

(b) Nil.

(c) No proposal at present.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) Operational constraints and lack of resources.

Losses in Vayudoot and its air links in Gujarat

[*English*]

3076. SHRI CHANDRESH PATEL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to link various airports of Gujarat with the Vayudoot Service;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Vayudoot is running in loss at present;

(d) if so, the details of losses during each month from January 1, 1990 to October 31,1991; and

(e) the reasons for the losses?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) and (e). The accumulated losses of Vayudoot upto 31st March,1991 are estimated to be of the order of Rs. 128.00 crores. At present, Vayudoot is incurring losses @ Rs. 2.70 crores per month approximately. The main reasons for the losses are Short-haul nature of the operations, obsolete and uneconomic fleet and unremunerative fare structure.

Restoration of Train Between Mughalsarai and Patna

3077. SHRI ANAND RATNA MAURYA: Will the Minister of RAILWAY be pleased to state:

(a) whether some passenger trains have been cancelled between Mughalsarai and Patna;

(b) if so, the reasons thereof;

(c) the names of such trains;

(d) whether the Government propose to restart these trains;

(e) if so, when; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (c). In order to improve the reliability of services 319/320 Howrah-Mughalsarai passenger was bifurcated to run as separate train between Howrah and Mokama and another between Mokama and Buxar w.e.f. 22.12.87. Also, 400 DN Mughalsarai-Patna passenger was bifurcated as separate train to run between Mughalsarai and Didarnagar and another between Dildarnagar and Patna w.e.f. 1.11.88.

(d) No, Sir

(e) Does not arise.

(f) In the interest of present users.

Navodaya Vidyalayas in Madhya Pradesh

3078. SHRI MAHENDRA KUMAR SINGH THAKUR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of districts of Madhya Pradesh as on October 31, 1991 where Navodaya Vidyalayas are functioning;

(b) whether it is proposed to set up Navodaya Vidyalayas in the remaining districts by March 31, 1992 there; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) Out of 45 districts in Madhya Pradesh, Navodaya Vidyalayas are functioning in 29 districts as on 31.10.1991.

(b) and (c). The opening of Navodaya Vidyalayas has to be done in a phased manner, depending upon the suitability of proposals, availability of physical facilities and financial resources. Therefore it may not be possible to set up Navodaya Vidyalayas in all the remaining districts of Madhya Pradesh by 31.3.1992.

Preservation of Ancient and Historical Shrines

3079. SHRI DATTATRAYA BANDARU: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether many of the historical and ancient monuments and shrines of South India are in a dilapidated condition and getting ruined due to the vageries of nature; and

(b) if so, the details of the proposals before the Union Government to preserve these shrines and monuments?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b). The Centrally protected monuments of South India are not in a dilapidated condition. However, moments affected due to climatic and other natural conditions are continuously attended to for conservation and preservation.

[*Translation*]

Over bridge on Crossing Near Badaun

3080. SHRI CHINMAYANAND SWAMI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any scheme for the construction of an overbridge on railway crossing near Badaun junction is under consideration of the Government; and

(b) if so, when it is likely to be completed?